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## PARIS VISITED BY THE WHITE-SHEETED VIGILANTS.

It was like a scene from "The Birth of a Nation," or a chapter from "The Clansman" Saturday night, when the big crowd on the street rubbed their eyes at the strange apparitions that greeted them. In double file mounted steeds, clad in flowing white from head to hoof and tail, with their riders clad in the same ghostly colors, peaked caps with only eye-holes betraying the physical presence underneath, marched solemnly up the street, followed by fifteen automobiles, all white-clad, their occupants looking in their white vestments, like inhabitants of another world. In the rear seats of the last machine sat a somber, black-clad figure, snuggled up between the two white-clad "hooded terrors." Across the hollows of the arm several of the riders carried rifles and shotguns, emblematic of "something likely to be doing" in case of necessity.

Not a word was spoken as the ghostly cavalcade stalked noiselessly through the streets, distributing handbills, bearing the wording in red ink:

### "NOTICE!"

#### "EVERYBODY MUST WORK!"

"Work means six days a week. No loafing will be allowed here. No disloyal acts. No foolish acts tolerated. Everybody must work."

#### "THIS MEANS EVERYBODY."

The strange-appearing visitors apparently came from nowhere and vanished to the same airy place after they had passed through Paris. Their work apparently done, they simply vanished, and no one on the crowded streets was any wiser than when the Klan first appeared. No violence was attempted by the visitors, who seemed grimly intent only on seeing that the circulars they were spreading reached everybody's hands. The effect was at once visible. A hush fell on the noisy crowds, as it became apparent that the visit was a business one, and no picnic. Expressions of approval were soon heard on all sides, and well-known characters who have been living on nobody knows what and how, took alarm, and slunk away. No warning could have been more effectively administered, and after the Klan had passed on their way there was a general discussion among those on the streets, in which it was finally the opinion that "everybody had better find some work to do." It was also the opinion among a majority of the people that the visitation was the outcome of the agitation among farm hands and other laborers caused by developments in the case of the three men who were tried yesterday for conspiracy.

For some time there has seemed to be a spirit of unrest among a certain element of the laboring class of colored people here, believed by many to have been the secret work of some German propagandist. Government agents working in conjunction with the city and county authorities have discovered evidence pointing to a plot to embarrass farmers and others in harvesting their crops through making labor scarce, and those who would work demanding exorbitant wages, some of them as high as \$8.00 per day, and a guarantee that they would be taken to and from their homes in automobile trucks.

The effect of the night visit of the Klan was very noticeable on the streets yesterday and labor was willing to go to work on the farms at reasonable wages rather than risk something worse. Opinion differed among many as to the wisdom of the display, some alleging that it was wrong, but right or wrong, it has had its effect and the labor situation, so far as Bourbon county is concerned, will be partly relieved.

## FOR THE GARDEN AND LAWN.

Lawn mowers, garden hose and grass hooks at prices you are not used to. Come in and let us show you some real bargains in this line. We really save you money.  
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## GRADUATING GIFTS.

What would be nicer for the sweet girl graduate than a Verithin Gruen Wrist Watch? Lots of other appropriate gifts, too.

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## GET READY FOR PLEDGE WEEK FOR WAR SAVINGS.

Miss Elizabeth Steele, who has charge of the War Savings Stamp campaign in this city and county, has opened headquarters in the Bourbon-Agricultural Bank building at the corner of Main and Broadway, and, with a corps of assistants, is busy making preparations for the opening of the campaign.

The campaign is making steady progress under Miss Steele's management, and it is safe to say that it will continue to do so until the full quota is raised. Bourbon has been asked to raise \$340,000. With reports completed up to Saturday the subscriptions had reached a total of \$187,976.75. The subscriptions coming in yesterday will materially increase the amount.

## DESHA DEEPLY DEPLORES OUR SATURDAY NIGHT PARADE

In his paper, the Lexington Herald, yesterday morning, Editor Desha Breckinridge, in an editorial, which he says was left over from Sunday, weeps over the sins of Bourbon county people, and their utter lack of self-respect in permitting the "parade" of Saturday night, with which we are all familiar by this time. Desha regrets the occurrence very much, as almost bearing on lawlessness, at the same time forgetting that Lexington isn't smelling like a rose, by any means.

Desha gets a case of indigestion pretty often and imagines he has been Heaven-sent as a corrector of wrongs and a purveyor of righteousness for all the neighboring towns.

Our advice to Desha is that Paris and Bourbon county will always be amply able to take care of their own affairs, and if a counsellor is needed it will not be Desha. Take care of your own redlight districts, gamblers, gambling dens, saloons, thugs, stick-up men and numerous other things that might be mentioned while we hold our fingers to our nose. Bourbon county will take care of its own affairs, Desha.

Suppose, Desha, you pay a little more attention to your Thrift Stamp "business." Get over your grouse over not being appointed Collector of Internal Revenue. We were an applicant for the Paris postoffice, but we had no grouse when another competent man was selected for the place. And forget about that little occurrence when your relative was set down upon in the War Department. Follow Campbell Cantrell's advice, "Stick to pink teas, where you are a wheel horse." Woman's Suffrage and the like, and let the management of the war and politics go to someone else. Don't you recall that Camp Zachary Taylor was located in Louisville and Secretary Baker retained as Secretary of War in spite of your, "We, I, Us and Ourselves" editorials? And don't forget that you can not manage Bourbon county affairs in your editorial columns. Better put in some of your time discounting the bad effects of County Judge George Batterton's and John Stoll's letters that were addressed to you.

Don't forget, too, Desha, that Bourbon county didn't come to you for editorial advice as to how she should manage her Red Cross and Liberty Loan campaigns, in which the county went over the top and almost forgot about it while you were making apologies and explanations in The Herald for Fayette's campaign progressing slowly, and "the farmers not responding as they should." We repeat that Bourbon county will always take care of its own affairs, and will not feel the necessity of calling on Desha to become manager. Go to, Desha, and clean your own house before you try to sweep the floor of Bourbon county.

And do you recall, Desha, that the Federal investigation of vice conditions in Lexington, showed from statistics that your city, according to population, ranked third in the United States as a vice center, Chicago being first? Pretty tough for you to criticize "lawless acts" in Bourbon, eh? We are thankful we are not in the Chicago class, Desha.

The "tragedy" which you fear, as expressed in your editorial, will never come, as the people of Bourbon county will see well to it that it does not come. Keep your nose out of our affairs, Desha, and learn the truth of that well-worn and oft-repeated maxim, "The meddler in other people's business always comes to grief." Good-bye, Desha, and may you realize in time that we of Bourbon county will take care of what happens here.

## STRAW HATS.

Of all kinds, from Sennets to Panamas. If your straw hat comes from Davis' it is right.

J. W. DAVIS & CO.

## D. OF C. DECORATE GRAVES OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS.

The graves of the Confederate dead in the Paris Cemetery were decorated yesterday afternoon with flowers by the members of Richard Hawes Chapter of the Daughters of Confederacy and the John H. Morgan Camp United Confederate Veterans. The principal address of the occasion was delivered by Mr. John J. Williams. The two attractive little daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Jos. H. Ewalt gave recitations appropriate to the occasion. A feature of the occasion was the presence of the Liberty Drum and Bugle Corps, who sounded the assembly call at the beginning of the ceremonies, and "taps" at its conclusion.

## PRIVATE SCHOOL CLOSED.

Mrs. Sutherland's Private School closed Thursday, May 30th, with a graduating class of seven—Misses Elizabeth Clay, Lucy Ferguson, Elizabeth Henry, Dorothy Jacoby, Willie Soper, Masters Huston Jacoby, J. T. Redmon and William Wornall.

## German Submarines Attack Ships on New Jersey Coast

NEW YORK, June 3.—One steamship, one schooner and two or three other vessels have been sunk off the Jersey coast by a German submarine. The ships were attacked some time during the night, according to information which was received here. Details are not immediately available.

The port authorities barred the departure of outgoing ships this forenoon.

It is presumed here that the submarine or submarines are now being dealt with by American destroyers.

One of the ships sunk was the Edward H. Cole, a sailing vessel.

It was asserted in shipping circles that it was possible that as many as six additional vessels were destroyed, not including those known to have been sunk.

NEW YORK, June 3.—A wireless S. O. S. call from the New York and Porto Rico Line passenger steamship Carolina saying that she was being attacked by a submarine, was received here to-day.

The S. O. S. picked up by the navy wireless from the Carolina said the steamer was being shelled by the submarine.

The New York and Porto Rico Steamship Company was advised this afternoon from Washington that the

Carolina had been shelled by a submarine and that the passengers and crew had been taken to the boats.

AN ATLANTIC PORT, June 3.—A British ship which came into port at full speed to-day reported having picked up wireless appeals for help from two American tank steamers which were being attacked off the New Jersey coast. Both of the tankers reported they were sinking.

NEW YORK, June 3.—Two more American vessels, the Hattie Dunn and the Samuel W. Hathaway have been sunk by German submarines.

Details of the additional sinkings had not been received early this afternoon, but the report was that they had fallen victims to the enemy somewhere off the New England coast.

The torpedoing of ships off the New Jersey coast, followed by the report of more destructions off Nantucket Shoals, nearly 200 miles to the east was taken as an indication that the hostile submarines were operating in number and that plan of the German admiralty probably was to concentrate the U-boats in a practical blockade of the principal ports of embarkation being used for American transports.

## WHEN, WHERE AND HOW OUR BOYS MUST REGISTER.

WHO MUST REGISTER: All male persons (citizens or aliens) born between June 6, 1896 and June 5, 1897, inclusive, except officers and enlisted men of the regular army, navy and Marine corps, and the national guard and naval militia while in Federal service, and in officers' reserve corps and enlisted men in the service corps while in active service.

WHEN: On Wednesday, June 5, 1918, between 7 a. m. and 9 p. m.

WHERE: At office of Local Board having jurisdiction where the person to be registered permanently resides, or other places designated by that local board.

HOW: Go in person on June 5 to your registration place. If you expect to be absent from home on June 5, go at once to the office of the local board where you happen to be. Have your registration card filled out and certified. Mail it to the local board having jurisdiction where you permanently reside. Enclose a self-

addressed, stamped envelope with your registration certificate. Failure to get this certificate may cause you serious inconvenience. You must mail your registration card in time to reach your home local board on June 5. If you are sick on June 5 and unable to present yourself in person send some competent friend. The clerk may deputize him to prepare your card.

INFORMATION: If you are in doubt as to what to do or where to register consult your local board.

PENALTY FOR NOT REGISTERING: Failure to register is a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for one year. It may result in loss of valuable rights and privileges and immediate induction into military service.

## SUMMER TIME LUXURIES AND REAL NECESSITIES.

We will save you money on refrigerators, porch and lawn swings. The refrigerators are ice-savers and the best to be had. The swings are strong and classy—large stock.  
(28-ft) FARMERS' SUPPLY CO.

## — WE KNOW MOW —



## Keep Cool These Hot Days With Comfortable, Light Weight Clothes

**Palm Beach Coat and Trousers** light weight Mohair Cloths—clothes that are tailored and made without lining, that fit and hold their shape regardless of the light weight fabrics from which they are made. Solid greys, fancy greens, tans and blues. \$12.50 to \$25.00

**Light Summer Underwear** in union suits and separate garments—white nainsook, light weight lisle and linen union suits from \$1.50 to \$5.00

**Straw Hats, Panamas and Leghorns, Silk Shirts and Low Cut Oxford Shoes.** Everything you need in Summer Clothes you will find at our store.

**MITCHELL & BLAKEMORE**

## IN THE SERVICE OF THEIR COUNTRY.

J. Stuart Wallingford and Landen Templin, of Paris, have gone to the Great Lakes Naval Training School at Great Lakes, Ill., where they will be given special training in the service. They enlisted recently at Louisville.

Mr. Garrett Allen Turner, who is on the U. S. S. South Carolina, is at home on a furlough, to be at the bedside of his mother, Mrs. W. F. Turner. Mrs. Turner, who was operated on at the Massie Memorial Hospital, is slightly improved.

A letter has been received here by Mr. and Mrs. James Rye, of Second street, from their son, Mr. John Rye, who stated that he had arrived in France as a member of the American Expeditionary Force for overseas duty. Young Rye wrote that he was in excellent health and eager to get into the fray with the Boches.

Mr. James B. McNamara, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. James McNamara, of Paris, has enlisted and been accepted for service in the United States Navy. Mr. McNamara will enter the service as a second class seaman. He is an experienced auto mechanic and may later be assigned to the aviation corps as a gas engine mechanic.

Mr. Clay Thomas and family and Mrs. George H. Wilson, all of North Middletown, were recent visitors at Camp Zachary Taylor, where they went to see Mr. Marion Thomas, who is a member of the Dr. Barrow Base Hospital Unit No. 40. They report the Bourbon boys as all well and seeming to enjoy camp life.

While standing near a company street at Camp Forrest, Ga., Mr. Carl Lenox, formerly of Paris, a member of the army service stationed there, was struck by a passing fire truck. He was knocked down and sustained painful injuries. Mr. Lenox is in the Base Hospital at Camp Forrest, and will soon be able to be out.

Miss Lila Lenox, of Pleasant street, is in receipt of a letter from her cousin, Mr. Smith Hill, who was a member of the Bourbon county contingent at Camp Zachary Taylor, stating that he had arrived safely in France. His address is Private Smith Hill, 1st Battery Field Artillery, R. A. P. O. No. 722, American Expeditionary Force.

Mr. LaVon Miller, son of Rev. and Mrs. C. R. Miller, who recently moved to Paris, from Elkton, Ky., enlisted Saturday in the Coast Artillery branch of the service. Mr. Miller left for Akron, Ohio, to visit friends before going to the cantonment. Young Miller, who would have been included in the provisions of the registration on June 5, would not wait to be drafted, and patriotically volunteered.

Miss Mary K. Stone, a member of the nursing staff of the Dr. Barrow Base Hospital Unit No. 40, writes to her mother Mrs. Thos. Taul, in this city, that she had been called to New York City for service in the U. S. Army Hospital Corps. Miss Stone was with the Unit at Camp Zachary Taylor, and left with the members of the nursing staff for Camp Green, N. C., and later for Washington, D. C., where they were on waiting orders. The detachment will probably leave soon for France.

Simon Buchanan, of Clintonville, who went to Ft. Thomas, with the detachment from Bourbon county recently, has been transferred to Chester, Pa., where several other Bourbon boys are stationed.

Mr. Miller Melvaine, formerly of this city, who has been a resident of Nebraska, for some time, is now a member of Uncle Sam's army, having volunteered in the service. Mr. Melvaine accompanied the Bourbon county delegation to Camp Zachary Taylor last Wednesday, where he was inducted into the service.

A postcard, postmarked Camp Shelby, Miss., and addressed to "Some Nice Girl, Paris, Ky., care of Postmaster, Paris, Ky.," was placed in THE NEWS mail box by the perplexed postal officials, in the hope it might reach some Bourbon county girl, who would answer it. The postcard bore this message:

"Good day, little girl, whoever may receive this. I am lonely and would enjoy getting and reading a letter from a girl in my old home State. Write to me and it would be a pleasure for a lonely soldier to correspond with you. Address Sergt. Floyd Hensley, 4th O. T. C., 1st Co. Infantry, Camp Shelby, Hattiesburg, Miss."

## PREPARING TO DRILL

The Bourbon Oil & Development Co., of this city, is making preparations for drilling in a new well on their leases on the William Raider farm in the oil territory. They are now rigging up the machinery at the No. 2 well.

## ALLEGED PROPAGANDISTS ARE TAKEN INTO CUSTODY.

Following an investigation by the city and county authorities and a representative from the Department of Justice, of the recent agitation caused here by the issuance of a circular designed to stir up strife among colored laborers of the city and county, a warrant was sworn out Friday from the office of County Attorney D. D. Cline for the arrest of John Asher, Thos. Cage and W. H. Robinson, all colored. The warrants, which charged the trio with a criminal conspiracy by concerting together to commit acts which would tend to disturb the public, disrupt the peace, injure public trade, etc., was served on the trio by Deputy Sheriff J. O. Marshall. They were taken to the office of County Attorney Cline, where after a preliminary statement had been made, they were admitted to bond in the sum of \$200 each for Robinson and Asher and \$100 for Cage, for their appearance in court yesterday morning. The bonds were signed by James Duncan, a colored farmer of the Little Rock precinct.

Cage denied any participation in the affair, and said that his name had been wrongfully used and without his knowledge or consent; that he did not even see or sign the document and that he knew nothing about it until the matter appeared in the papers. Asher stated that the bills were to have been used merely to protect his interest as a barber, and to discourage price-cutting by the barbers of this city, and that the public had been given a wrong conception of the affair. It is alleged that Robinson is the tool of some German propagandist, who seeks to foment trouble and discord among the negro farm laborers with a view to causing a loss of the crops and thereby help to diminish the food supply of the county. It was alleged that he was the author of the handbill which was the original cause of the trouble.

At the trial of the cases against the three men was held yesterday before County Judge George Batterton, resulting after the introduction of a mass of testimony, pro and con, in the dismissal of the men on the charges. The prosecution was represented by County Attorney D. D. Cline, while the defense interests were in the hands of Hon. E. M. Dickson and Attorney John J. Williams. At the conclusion of the hearing the men were dismissed from custody.

## A GIFT WORTH WHILE

If you have a boy or girl, a sweetheart or friend who will graduate this year, give him or her a gift worth while—something that will be kept and cherished. We have lots of those kind of gifts.

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## COUNTY WINS THE DECISION

According to a decision handed down Saturday by Special Judge Geo. R. Hunt, of Lexington, who was agreed upon by the attorneys interested, to try the case, Bourbon county will receive the amount of \$2,500 from back taxes for the years 1912-1916, inclusive, from the estate of the late P. J. Millet, former millionaire race horse breeder of this county.

The title of the suit was the Commonwealth of Kentucky vs. the Mechanics National Bank & Trust Co., of Knoxville, Tenn., trustee of the estate of P. J. Millet. The decision hinged upon the question of whether Bourbon county was the legal residence of Mr. Millet. For many years up to the time of his death, Mr. Millet was the owner of a fine Bourbon county farm, the old Hiber place on the Jackstown pike, near this city, where he successfully bred race horses. The amount of the estate owned by him in this county aggregated about \$240,000. The trustee bank was represented by Hon. E. M. Dickson, of Paris, and the Commonwealth interests were taken care of by County Attorney D. D. Cline. The suit was instituted in the original court by former Sheriff W. F. Talbott.

## RED CROSS PONY SOLD.

A handsome pony, sired by Cock Robin, champion prize winner in many events, which was presented to the Ladies Bible Class of the North Middletown Christian church was sold at public auction on the court house square yesterday by Auctioneer M. F. Kenney.

The pony was bid up to \$190, at which price it was sold to a coterie of men who had formed a "pool" for that purpose. It was again offered for sale and disposed of to Patrolman Robert Lusk for \$56. The proceeds derived from the sale of the pony will be devoted to Red Cross work by the ladies of the Bible class.

## REAL ESTATE DEALS.

Through the Paris Realty Co., Mr. Monroe Mansfield, of the Templin Lumber Co., has purchased the Stamler property on Main street, formerly the home of Capt. James M. Thomas and family. Mr. Mansfield purchased the property as an investment.